

REMARKS

Claims 1-31 are pending.

Claims 6-12, 18, and 25 have been canceled without prejudice, subject to reinstatement in a continuing application.

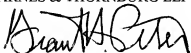
Claims 1, 13, 19, 26, and 31 have been amended.

Claims 1, 13 and 19 have been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 6, 18, and 25, respectively. These amendments are consistent with the Examiner's indication that certain claims would be allowable if amended in independent form. As such, independent claims 1, 13, and 19 and claims 2-5, 14-17, and 20-24 and 28-30, respectively, are allowable as depending on allowable independent claims. Similarly, claims 26, 27 and 31 are allowable consistent with the Examiner's recommendations.

If there is any issue remaining to be resolved, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned so that resolution can be promptly affected.

It is requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response with the fee for such extensions and any other fees or shortages in other fees, being charged, or any overpayment in such fees being credited, to the Deposit Account of Barnes & Thornburg LLP, Deposit Account No. 12-0913 acknowledging attorney docket no. (27726-103050).

Respectfully submitted,
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